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(Case No. 00-1123-R)

In the Application of: )  
Lin, et al. )  
Serial No.: 10/667,696 ) Art Unit: 1641  
Filed: September 22, 2003 ) Examiner: TBA  
For: Label-Free Methods for Performing Assays Using )  
a Colorimetric Resonant Optical Biosensor )

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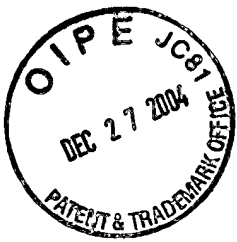
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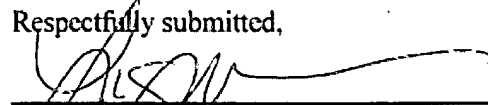
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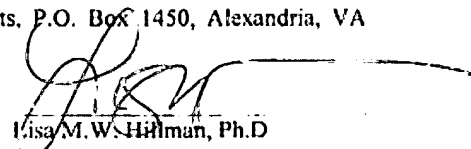
  
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